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Gambling on Sports Gets Rap from Legion

Following reports that wagers were being made on the results of the boxing contests held by the American Legion...

It was also made known that if any person attending the exhibitions at the Legion Hall is seen or overheard to make a wager...

The resolution follows: "Whereas, It has come to the knowledge of the members of Bert S. Crossland Post No. 170, American Legion...

"Whereas, The officers of this post, believing that wagers made upon the result of such sports tends to lower the standards of any sport, it is therefore

Resolved, That Bert S. Crossland Post No. 170, American Legion, stands opposed to any form of wagers or gambling upon the results of its exhibitions...

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

Security Trust and Savings Bank, a corporation, Plaintiff, vs. William F. Elliott (also known as W. F. Elliott), Laura Elliott, Jennie L. Perrine, Jacob Perrine, et al., Defendants.

Sheriff's Sale. No. 103933. Order of Sale and Decree of Foreclosure and Sale.

Under and by virtue of an order of sale and decree of foreclosure and sale, issued out of the Superior Court of the County of Los Angeles...

Let Ten (10) in Block Sixty-eight (68) of the Torrance Tract, in the City of Torrance, County of Los Angeles...

Together with the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging...

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That, on Monday, the 12th day of March, A. D. 1923, at 12 o'clock M. of that day...

WM. I. TRAEGER, Sheriff of Los Angeles County. By W. T. OSTERHOLT, Deputy Sheriff.

H. E. THOMAS, Plaintiff's Attorney. Pub. Feb. 16-23, Mar. 2-9, 1923.

NEW MILLINERY SHOP TO OPEN

Miss Margaret A. McNulty of Los Angeles is in Torrance for the purpose of opening an up-to-date millinery shop.

While there are many new buildings in course of erection here, Miss McNulty is unable at this time to secure a permanent location...

Frank Sammons is driving a new Hudson coach car.

Many New Spring Lines Arriving Daily

Watch This Space Next Week for More Definite Store News.

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CENTRAL EVANGELICAL CHURCH

The sermon next Sunday morning will be on the theme, "The Crowded Hotel." The hour is 11. The choir and the men's quartette will sing. The evening subject will be a comparison of the Genesis story and the evolutionary theory.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF TORRANCE

"The Church of the Open Bible." The Gideon Band from Long Beach will have charge of the Sunday morning service at the hour of 11 o'clock.

"REDEMPTION, Its Nature, Its Purposes, Its Extent." Bible school meets at 9:45 a. m. There is a class for you.

"And they sang a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the Book, and to open the seals thereof: for Thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood."

Rev. Stanley H. Thorpe, pastor.

FIRST METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Gordon A. Riegler, minister. 9:45 a. m.—Bible school. D. C. Turner, superintendent.

11:00 a. m.—Morning worship. D. M. Epworth League service. John Richhart, president. This will be a pleasant service; a friendly service; a service good for young people, and a place where your smile and good will goes miles and miles.

KEYSTONE BIBLE SCHOOL

Ocean avenue, one-half mile east of car line. Every Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Classes for all ages. Good teachers. "Ye fathers, bring up your children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord."

DANIEL PIERSON, Supt.

ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Wilmington, Calif. Rev. Thomas P. Swift, rector. Organist, Miss Mildred Merwin. Sunday school, 10 a. m. Morning prayer and sermon, 11 a. m. Sermon topic, "Our Future Glory." All are welcome.

CHRIST'S EPISCOPAL MISSION

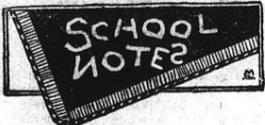
Torrance Auditorium, 9 a. m. Rev. Thos. P. Swift, rector. Morning prayer and sermon. Sermon topic, "What Things." Come and help us, all are welcome.

LOMITA COMMUNITY CHURCH

Morning worship, 11 o'clock. Sermon subject, "Cleansing and Consecration." Evening worship, 7:30 o'clock. Sermon subject, "Washington and Lincoln: Their Country and Ours." Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. L. J. Hunter, superintendent. Intermediate C. E. prayer meeting, 6:30 p. m. Erwin Patterson, leader.

Junior C. E. prayer meeting, 6:30 p. m. Miss Lydia Smith, superintendent. A cordial welcome to all to worship with us.

E. E. CLARKE, Pastor.



Mr. Hart, agriculture and landscape gardener of the Wilmington high school, with a class of twenty high school pupils visited the Torrance school, the classrooms, and the glass factory, returning to their school for the afternoon session.

We are glad indeed to welcome pupils from other schools to visit, as it is very helpful to pupils to be able to compare others' work with theirs. Torrance school expects to make similar visits before the end of the term.

Miss Gertrude Anne Ohlmacher has been assigned to Torrance as a teacher in the upper grade "opportunity room." This room will take care of the pupils that through sickness or otherwise need to make up work or to adjust any irregularities in a crowded classroom.

The attendance of the Torrance school is steadily increasing, so much, in fact, that it is absolutely necessary to make all elementary rooms with the exception of the sixth grade one-half-day sessions.

VISTA HIGHLANDS NEWS

The Christian Endeavor of the Central Evangelical church will meet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stock, Friday evening, February 16, at 7:30 o'clock. After a short session of business the young people will enjoy a Valentine party.

Mrs. Anna Leake of San Pedro was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stock, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Glynn Middleton and friends started early Sunday morning to visit the mountains to visit the snow belt, but were forced to turn back on account of the heavy rainstorm and bad roads.

Mrs. Clara Barnes and daughter, Miss Opal, from Iowa, are visiting their cousin, Mrs. Pickrell, of Vista Highlands.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Beckwith received the news of the marriage of their niece, Miss Estella Rita Jones, February 3, at Riverside, to Mr. Clifford John Rumble.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Beckwith and family spent Sunday with the former's sister, Mrs. Lona Jones, of Los Angeles.

CHILDREN ENJOY PARTY

A delightful Valentine birthday party was enjoyed by sixteen children Saturday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Meizner, Carson street. The occasion was the sixth birthday of their daughter, Myrtle. The home was artistically decorated with red streamers and hearts, and prizes were awarded to Melvin Smith for being first in the match game, and Denny Rubedow for pinning the tail on the kitten. Refreshments of cake, ice cream, and candy were served.

Little Miss Myrtle was the recipient of many pretty and beautiful presents.

Those present were: Peter Crimmings, Helen Voss, Jean Louise Solomon, Frances, Gertrude and Robert Mowry, Inez and Charles Smith, Irla Ronda, Melvin and Isabelle Smith, Elinore and Denny Rubedow, Sherley and Mildred Smith, Ella Levy, Wootsey and Myrtle Meizner, Mrs. Guy Mowry, and Mrs. Carl Oaks.

Mrs. A. E. Tompson of Andros avenue has been ill at her home the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bale have moved from Torrance Park into their new home on Carson street.

CATHOLIC SERVICES

Catholic services will be held every Sunday morning at 9:30 o'clock at the Torrance Catholic hall, on North Oota.

True Detective Stories THE DEVONSHIRE DIAMONDS

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HAD Lady Alberta Devon not yielded to temptation at the last moment and stepped out of her boudoir to secure her sister's opinion upon the effect of her latest Parisian creation it is quite possible that Inspector John Sweeney of Scotland Yard would not have had the opportunity of proving his detective genius in a peculiarly striking manner.

Lady Alberta was absent from her room for less than ten minutes; but during that time occurred an event which, for several hours, threatened to disrupt several of the highest social circles in England.

It was the night of the Devon ball, held in the big old-fashioned house in the center of the Devon estate. As was only to be expected, the list of guests read like a section from Burke's Peerage—a fact which made Inspector Sweeney's work distinctly more difficult when the loss of the famous necklace of Devonshire was reported to Scotland Yard.

Early in the evening Lady Alberta had dismissed her maid with the statement that she would complete her toilette herself, but just as she was about to put on her necklace—an heirloom which had greatly increased in value because of its historic connections—she thought it would be well to secure an unbiased opinion as to the effect of her gown, which had just arrived from Paris. When she returned from her sister's room a few minutes later she reached for the necklace, only to discover that it had vanished!

Positive that she had had it in her hands less than ten minutes before, she searched the room and then summoned her husband, whom she told of the mysterious loss.

"There is only one thing to do," declared his lordship, after verifying his wife's statement that the jewels were missing, "and that is to notify the police."

Inspector Sweeney reached the Devon house shortly after midnight, while the ball was still in progress, and secured the meager details of the case directly from her ladyship.

"Did you notice any one in the hall as you passed through on the way to your sister's room?" Sweeney asked. "No one at all."

"How long has your maid been with you?"

"Less than two months—but she

came well recommended."

Finally, in spite of protests, the operative from Scotland Yard gave orders that no one was to leave the grounds of the Devon estate without his permission, and, as the ball formed part of a week's festivities, it was possible to arrange this without mentioning the reason for the request to the guests. Armed with a list of those present, with their servants, Sweeney then repaired to Lady Devon's boudoir to commence active investigations.

His knowledge of London society was sufficient to inform him that at least three of the guests, despite their titles, might easily have been guilty of lifting the necklace if the opportunity had presented itself.

"The question is," mused Sweeney, "who could have known that Lady Devon would have been out of the room for just those few moments? She wasn't summoned by any message and it would therefore appear that some one was hiding in the hope that an opportunity would present itself. That would seem to eliminate the guests—but not the servants."

Working along this line, Sweeney made a careful examination of the toilet articles on the dressing table where the diamonds had been placed. After a thorough scrutiny of the perfume bottles, pieces of silver and other articles which were highly polished, the detective made his way downstairs and sent word to Lady Devon that he would like to speak to her for a moment.

"Your ladyship," he said, "will you kindly press the tips of your fingers lightly on this," and he held out one of the hand mirrors from the boudoir. "No," he added, "I'm not suspecting you of making away with your own diamonds—I merely wish to discover which finger-prints are yours."

"Then, a moment later, "Thank you. I thought as much." "Now," he continued, "I want you to instruct your butler—whom I understand has been with you for a number of years—to secure the prints of all the servants under your roof. Tell him to make any excuse for it that he wants to, but I must secure a complete collection. Kindly have them sent to my room the first thing in the morning. Meanwhile, don't worry. If my instructions are rigidly carried out, your necklace should be discovered before nine o'clock."

But Sweeney underestimated by some two hours. It was eleven o'clock on the following morning before he received the complete set of finger-prints, and ten minutes later a pair of handcuffs was dangling from the wrists of William Sinclair, valet of one of the titled guests, and, as it afterwards developed, a man with a lengthy prison record. The necklace was discovered

TORRANCE NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Curler of Amapola avenue have moved to Redondo Beach.

Mrs. L. A. Kent of the Levy Smart Shoppe will take a vacation beginning next week.

Mrs. Hilda Steinback and Miss Mabelle James, of Los Angeles were Sunday dinner guests at the McKinley Inn.

Mr. and Mrs. Peran of Portola avenue have sold their home to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tompson of Vista Highlands.

Miss Martha Kirkpatrick of North Arlington street will entertain a number of her friends with a Valentine's party Saturday, February 17.

Eighteen members of the Christian Endeavor Society of the Central church attended the district meeting at Redondo Beach Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Denny, with Miss Louise Burige and Mrs. May McKinley, attended the performance at the new Metropolitan theater in Los Angeles Saturday night.

Mrs. Raymond Tomkins of Gramercy avenue entertained at a family dinner Tuesday evening, celebrating her husband's birthday anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Mowry and family of Carson street will attend a dinner party at the home of the latter's aunt, Miss Etta Neatzger of Long Beach, Sunday, celebrating four of the invited guests' birthday anniversaries.

Mrs. Katherine Mol entertained a party of ten friends at a sumptuous dinner at the El Prado Cafe Sunday evening at 5:30 o'clock, and afterwards attended a performance at the new Metropolitan theater, in Los Angeles.

The losing side of the membership committee of the Torrance Parent-Teachers' association entertained the winning side at a luncheon Thursday at the home of Mrs. Hanson, corner of Arlington avenue and Carson street.

stowed away in the false bottom of Sinclair's trunk.

As Sweeney started back toward London with his prisoner he cautioned him to be more careful in the future not to attempt a theft unless he wore gloves.